

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior revisions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for coordinating non-matching patterns on selected items developed from placing design features on the selected items by a computer in a particular manner comprising:

identifying, by a computer, at least one item;

selecting, by a computer, at least two different design features for use in developing non-matching patterns for placement on the at least one identified item;

placing, by a computer, at least one of the at least two different selected design features on at least one of at least two of the identified item and placing the other of said at least two different selected design features on the other of said at least two of the identified item to form at least one pattern on each such item; and

coordinating, by a computer, the placement of the selected design features on at least two of the identified items such that the at least one pattern formed on one such item is non-matching when compared to the at least one pattern formed on each of the other items.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least two selected design features are selected from the group consisting of color, color schemes,

different colors, shades of the same color, seasonal theme characteristics, seasons, holidays, objects, activities, pattern shapes, textures, and size.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items sold in pairs, each item of said pair being coordinated with a non-matching pattern.

5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 4 wherein the at least one item identified is packaged for sale in quantities other than two.

6. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 5 wherein the at least one item identified is a sock.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having distinguishable sections, at least some of the sections of said at least two of the identified item being coordinated with a non-matching pattern.

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 8 wherein the at least one item identified is a shirt.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having multiple unconnected pieces, at least some of said unconnected pieces of each item being coordinated with a non-matching pattern.

12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 11 wherein the at least one item identified are pajama tops and bottoms.

13. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 11 wherein the at least one item identified is bedding, said bedding including a sheet, a pillow case and a comforter.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items matched within a group, at least some of the items within each group being coordinated with non-matching patterns.

16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15 wherein the at least one group item identified is furniture in a room.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15 wherein the at least one group item identified is clothing for members of a team.

18. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15 wherein the at least one group item identified are curtains.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having inner and outer surfaces, the inner and outer surfaces being coordinated with non-matching patterns.

25. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the two selected design features includes color, and wherein at least one of the patterns formed on at least one item includes a variegated color pattern.

26. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the two selected design features includes a color scheme, and wherein at least one of the patterns formed on at least one item includes a monochromatic color scheme.

27. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the two selected design features includes a color scheme, and wherein at least one of the patterns formed on at least one item includes an analogous color scheme.

28. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the two selected design features includes a color scheme, and wherein at least one of the patterns formed on at least one item includes a complimentary color scheme.

29. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 26 wherein the monochromatic color scheme is accompanied by the color white.

30. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27 wherein the analogous color scheme is accompanied by the color gray.

31. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28 wherein the complimentary color scheme is accompanied by the color black.

32. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the at least two selected design features includes color, and wherein each item includes at least two dominant colors and a neutral color, said neutral color being determined by the pairing of said two dominant colors.

33. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the at least two selected design features includes at least two selected colors, and wherein at least one of the at least two selected design features includes the shape of at least one object, one of the selected colors being used for the background on each respective item, and the other selected color being used for the shape of the object selected.

34. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein at least one of the at least two selected design features includes color, and wherein a plurality of colors are selected for use on the at least one item identified, said plurality of colors being consistently mapped across the non-matching patterns formed on each item.

35. (Currently Amended) A method for coordinating dissimilar patterns on selected items developed from placing design features on the selected items by a computer in a particular manner comprising:

identifying, by a computer, at least one item;

selecting, by a computer, at least two different design features for use in developing dissimilar patterns for placement on the at least one identified item;

placing, by a computer, at least one of the two different selected design features on at least one of at least two of the identified item and placing the other of said at least two different selected design features on the other of said at least two of the identified item to form at least one pattern on each such item; and

coordinating, by a computer, the placement of the selected design features on at least two of the identified items such that the at least one pattern formed on one such item is dissimilar to the at least one pattern formed on each of the other items.

36. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items sold in pairs, each item of said pair being coordinated with a dissimilar pattern.

37. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having distinguishable sections, at least some of the sections of said at least two of the identified item being coordinated with the dissimilar pattern.

38. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having multiple unconnected pieces, at least some of the unconnected pieces of each item being coordinated with a dissimilar pattern.

39. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items matched within a group, at least some of the items within each group being coordinated with dissimilar patterns.

40. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least one item identified is chosen from a category of items each having inner and outer surfaces, the inner and outer surfaces being coordinated with dissimilar patterns.

41. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein the at least two selected design features are selected from the group consisting of color, color schemes, different colors, shades of the same color, seasonal theme characteristics, seasons, holidays, activities, objects, pattern shapes, textures and size.

42. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35 wherein at least some of the dissimilar patterns include a variegated color pattern.

43. (Currently Amended) A method for coordinating variegated patterns on selected items developed from placing design features on the selected items by a computer in a particular manner comprising:

identifying, by a computer, at least one item;

selecting, by a computer, at least two different design features for use in developing variegated patterns for placement on the at least one identified item;



placing, by a computer, at least one of the at least two different selected design features on one of at least two of the identified item and placing the other of said at least two different selected design features on the other of said at least two of the identified item to form at least one variegated pattern on each such item; and

coordinating, by a computer, the placement of the selected design features on at least two of the identified items such that the at least one variegated pattern formed on one such item is dissimilar to the at least one variegated pattern formed on each of the other items.